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**THE SENATE CONDUCTING THE MATTER OF
THE PACIFIC RAILROAD'S INDEBTED-
NESS TO THE GOVERNMENT.**
PAYSON FILIBUSTERING.
Bismarck's Scheme for a Conference
Presented to Bayard—The Petition
of John Smith—The
Country's Militia.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 4.—In the senate the
committee on appropriations reported back
the legislative, executive and judicial ap-
propriation bill and gave notice it would
tomorrow call it up for action. The senate
then resumed consideration of the
trust bill, Frye giving notice that at 2
o'clock he would ask the senate to take up
the Pacific funding bill.

George made an argument against the
bill and expressed the intention of offering
amendments looking to the suspension or
reduction of import duties on articles as to
which trusts are formed. The Union Pa-
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DISASTERS OF A DAY.
Major W. J. McCormick, of Missoula,
Fatally Injured at Owen on
Sunday Last.

LOST ON THE OCEAN.
Fourteen Victims in a Railway Disaster
in Belgium and a Number in a
Like Fatality in Missouri—
A Motor Accident.

OMAHA, Feb. 4.—The high wind this af-
ternoon blew down a large section of the
east wall of Max Meyer's brick building
on the corner of Farnham and 4th streets.
Seven people were killed and a number in-
jured. The dead are Edward Oleson,
Michael Martin, laborer, Thomas Houston,
clerk, Boyer, senior member of Boyer &
Co., sal. dealer, and Rudolph Mitchell,
an insurance agent, and Thomas Kimball,
bookkeeper. Those most seriously injured
are C. H. Silver, E. A. Phillips, George
Searles, Charles Blake, Chas. Cesar, John
Jackson and Emma Oliver. It is not
thought any of the injured will die. It is
believed all the bodies have been gotten
out of the ruins.

SCHOOL CHILDREN INJURED.
LINCOLN, Neb., Feb. 4.—A heavy gale
prevailed all over the state today, starting
at 2 o'clock this morning at Alliance and
reaching Lincoln about 9 a. m. Consider-
able damage was done in the western part
of the state, buildings being unroofed and
trees blown down. At Arapahoe a number
of small buildings were blown down, in-
cluding a school house, and a few outbuildings
were destroyed. The storm was an electrical
disturbance, many watches and clocks in
this city stopping about 5 o'clock in the
morning.

DEATH OF THE RAIL.
ST. LOUIS, Feb. 4.—A serious accident
occurred yesterday on the St. Louis & San
Francisco railway near Springfield, Mo.,
by which three men were instantly killed
and five injured, four of the latter fatally.
The engine moving toward the west, the
train was struck by a coal train coming
from the east. The engine was wrecked,
the train broken up and the passengers
scattered. The bodies of the three killed
were recovered, but the bodies of the five
injured were not recovered. The bodies of
the three killed were recovered, but the
bodies of the five injured were not recovered.

THIRTY-FOUR PERSONS LOST.
LONDON, Feb. 4.—The steamer Nerid
collided with the ship Killarney off Dun-
geen last night and both were to the bot-
tom. Twenty-four persons were drowned.
Nine members of the crew were rescued,
one of whom afterward died.

FOURTEEN WERE KILLED.
BRUSSELS, Feb. 4.—A terrible railway
accident occurred today near Gronow-
del. A train bound from Brussels to
Nemours struck the pillar of a bridge caus-
ing the bridge to collapse. The train was
carrying 140 passengers and 100 crew. All
the passengers were killed. The crew were
scattered. The bodies of the three killed
were recovered, but the bodies of the five
injured were not recovered.

DROWNED IN THE MISSOURI.
BISMARCK, Feb. 4.—A family consisting
of Mr. and Mrs. John Olson and their
three children were drowned while at-
tempting to cross the Missouri river in a
small boat. The boat was overturned and
the family was drowned. The bodies of
the three children were recovered, but the
bodies of the parents were not recovered.

DECLARED A DRAW.
BOSTON, Feb. 4.—Joe Lannon, of South
Boston, and George Goffrey, the well-
known caddy heavy weight pugilist of
this city, fought a fifteen round battle with
four ounces gloves last night for a purse
of \$1,000. John L. Sullivan acted as referee.
There was much bad temper shown by
both men and much clinching was done.
Neither of the combatants was hurt. The
fight was a draw.

NEITHER WAS HURT.
PARIS, Feb. 4.—Deputies Langerie and
LaCroix fought this morning with gloves
of 12 ounces. Neither of the combatants was
hurt. The fight was a draw.

RECORDED GERMAN-ENGLISH ALLIANCE.
ST. PETERSBURG, Feb. 4.—The Berlin
correspondent of the New York Times
believes that England and Germany have
concluded an alliance similar to the Anglo-
Italian convention, the object being the
protection of northern seas and ports.

BLAZE AT GREAT FALLS.
GREAT FALLS, Feb. 4.—(Special to the
Independent.)—On Second avenue this
evening the Chas. Stange company's barn
and two horses in it were burned. Loss
about \$500; uninsured. The cause is un-
known.

THE PANAMA CANAL COMPANY DISSOLVED.
BALTIMORE, Feb. 4.—The dissolution of
the old Panama Canal company has been de-
clared on the petition of parties acting in
accord with the act of Congress. The court
appointed Francis Pickens liquidator.

KILLED BY SWEETHEART.
CHICAGO, Feb. 4.—John Thompson, an
employee of a hardware firm, to-night shot
and killed his sweetheart, Maud McEl-
lean, on Jackson boulevard, near Peoria
street, and then killed himself. The cause
of the shooting is unknown.

LIVINGSTON'S BOOM.
Helena Capital Being Invested in City and
Other Property—A New Bank.

LIVINGSTON, Feb. 4.—(Special to the In-
dependent.)—Considerable excitement pre-
vails in Livingston today over the re-
ported purchase by Helena parties of differ-
ent tracts of city real estate. The real
estate men seem to be doing a thriving
business, and the transfers of city property
will aggregate about \$7,000, representing
the sale of about seventy-five lots during
the last two days. It is said to-night that
Dr. Grant has sold his ranch to Helena
parties for \$4,000. It is known that he had
an offer of that amount some days ago, but
whether the deal has been completed or
not could not be learned. The ranch is
situated in the section designated by S. T.
Hauser's water notice, posted at the foot of
C street, as the location to be used for a
smelter. It is reported that another na-
tional bank is to be established in Living-
ston in the near future, with Helena cap-
ital at the head, and that the Northern
Pacific railroad will build a branch line to
the Castle mines during the coming sum-
mer. The business outlook for the coming
season in this section is very flattering,
and the general opinion seems to prevail that
Livingston is just entering a boom period.

Representative Over arrived in town
yesterday, and after buying half a block of
city property returned to the capital to-day.

THE WEATHER.
Temperature Yesterday at Helena and at
Various Other Points in the Northwest.
The temperature in Helena yesterday, as
shown by R. S. Hale & Co.'s Talcott Gal-
ley observatory thermometer, was as follows:
7 a. m., 54 degrees above zero; noon, 43,
above; 6 p. m., 44 above; 10 p. m., 35 above.
Dispatches to the INDEPENDENT last
evening show the following conditions at
the points named at 6 o'clock:
Billings—Clear, calm, 16 above.
Livingston—Clear, calm, 16 above.
Tulsa—Clear, calm, 25 above.
Butte—Clear, calm, 25 above.
Hill—Cloudy, calm, 30 above.
Phillipsburg—Clear, calm, 30 above.
Anaconda—Part clear, calm, 27 above.
Deer Lodge—Clear and calm, 25 above.
Marysville—Clear, calm, 25 above.
Great Falls—Part cloudy, fine light south-
west wind, 45 above.
Fort Benton—Clear, calm, 32 above.
Fort Assiniboine—Southwest wind,
cloudy, 40 above.
Battle Creek, N. W. T.—Clear, strong
northwest wind, 32 above.

AN ERRATIC CRUISE.
An Ocean Derelict Wanderings—One of the
Most Remarkable Cases on Record.

New York Herald: A telegram received
by the hydrographer, navy department,
from Stornoway (in the Hebrides, off the
northwest coast of Scotland), marks the
completion of the long and erratic cruise of
the derelict American schooner W. L.
White, abandoned off Delaware bay, March
18, during the great blizzard. All her crew
were rescued, and the vessel, with
masts and portions of her sails standing
up, was towed to the wharf, started
off to the southeast before the northwest
gale. Upon reaching the gulf stream she
turned away to the eastward and com-
menced her long cruise toward Europe.
The schooner was last seen on the 10th
of vessels engaged in transat-
lantic commerce, and now, after an inter-
val of ten months and ten days, she has
completed her voyage and lies stranded on
the coast of Lays Island, one of the
Hebrides.

Her track, as plotted on the pilot chart,
is extremely interesting, illustrating as it
does the track of a vessel under the influ-
ence of the prevailing winds and currents,
as well as the derelict character of the
obstructions on the high seas, twenty-six
of which are shown on the pilot chart in
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WILL SERVE Mrs. CLEVELAND.
Washington Correspondence: Albert
Hawkins, the old negro driver who pulls
the reins over the big seal browns drawing
the carriage of Mrs. Cleveland, will serve
Mrs. and Mr. Cleveland up and down
the avenues on fair afternoons. Albert has
been the white house driver since the lat-
ter part of Grant's first term. He drove
Grant, he drove Hayes, Garfield, and
Arthur, and Cleveland, but he will not
drive Harrison. Albert, it is said, is going
to leave the white house. He has had all
the glory there is in it. He wants to get
out of official life, as it were. He has
shown great devotion to Mrs. Cleveland,
and will leave his position at the white
house to retire to private life and drive the
carriage of the Adams and Garfield, and
Mrs. Cleveland. Wherever Mr. and Mrs.
Cleveland go Albert will go and will con-
tinue to pull the reins over the seal browns
which are the president's private property.

POLICE INSPECTOR KILLED.
DUBLIN, Feb. 4.—Police Inspector Mar-
tin was killed at Uweodons, County Dun-
gal, yesterday, while trying to arrest
Father McFadden. A party of police un-
der Inspector Martin's command were at-
tempting to arrest Father McFadden, who
was charged with the murder of a woman.
The party were fired upon by McFadden,
who was killed. The people came to the
rescue and Father McFadden escaped. He
had nearly reached the door of his own
house when Inspector Martin caught him
by the coat. At the same instant the in-
spector was struck on the top of the head
with a stone. The inspector fell and died
soon afterwards. Father McFadden was
subsequently arrested.

AN OLD TIMER'S FATE
Seven People Killed and a Number
Injured by the Falling of an
Omaha Building.

THROWN FORTY FEET.
One of the Best Known and Most Pros-
perous of Montana's Pioneers
—The History of a Suc-
cessful Career.

MISSOULA, Feb. 4.—(Special to the In-
dependent.)—A gloom was thrown over this
community this morning by the sad and
startling news that Maj. Washington
McCormick had been killed yesterday. A
few of his friends heard that he had been
injured by a fall during the day at Stevens-
ville, but no one suspected anything seri-
ous. About 7 o'clock last evening a spec-
ial train with physicians and Mrs. McCor-
mick left here for Fort Owen, the home of
the deceased, arriving there shortly after 8
o'clock and finding that Mr. McCor-
mick had expired about 5 p. m.
It seems that during a heavy gale
yesterday the roof on one of the buildings
on the ranch became loosened and Mr.
McCormick ascended to weigh them down,
when a heavy wind raised the roof from
the entire structure, carrying the deceased
with it a distance of forty feet, falling
heavily upon the frozen ground. When
rescued from the debris the major was
found to be unconscious, in which condi-
tion he remained until his death. An ex-
amination showed that one leg was broken
near the thigh and the skull fractured by
the terrible fall. Major McCormick, or
"Wash," as he was more familiarly called,
was one of the oldest residents and largest
property holders in the town of Missoula.

Mr. McCormick was perhaps as widely
known as any man in the territory and the
news of his death was a shock to his many
friends. Always an uncompromising dem-
ocrat yet his political opponents admired
and respected the man. He was born in
Indiana in 1835 and was educated at As-
bury university in that state. He went to
Utah in 1857 with his law professor Chief
Justice Eckles. In 1861 he returned to In-
diana, and in 1862 he came to Montana, set-
tling in Virginia City Sept. 10. He at once
took an active part in politics and the fol-
lowing year represented the territory in the
first territorial legislature. From
Virginia City Mr. McCormick removed to
Deer Lodge in 1867. In 1867 Mr. McCor-
mick was appointed a special Indian agent
and had charge of the Flathead agency for
one year. Locally he was a well known
figure where he lived up to the time of his death.
He represented Missoula county in the
legislature since 1871. He was chair-
man of the democratic territorial con-
ventions of 1880 and 1882. He was several
times a delegate to county conventions, fre-
quently being presiding officer. He was an
alternate to the national convention of 1884
and was by that body made a member of
the national central committee. Mr. McCor-
mick represented Missoula county in the
convention of 1887. He was a well known
figure in the territory. He was a well
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CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION.
Examinations to be held in Montana at Miles
City and Helena.

The United States civil service commis-
sion will hold examinations in Montana at
Miles City, Tuesday, April 23, and in He-
lena, Thursday, April 23. For the railway
mail service there is but one grade of ex-
amination, all appointments being made to
class one, which includes all places of \$800
or less per annum. Places above \$800 are
filled by competitive examination. Examin-
ees must be citizens of the United States, and
not under 18 years of age or over 35, except
in the case of the railway mail service, in
which case the age limit is 45. No females are
appointed. The dates above given do not
apply to examinations for the railway mail
service.

Applicants for the classified mail service
must not be under 21 years of age, in any
case there is no need of seeking the aid
of any prominent or presumably influ-
ential person to secure an application paper
or recommendation. No recommendation or
certificate besides those provided for in the
application itself will be received. Neither
the commission or examiner can help any-
one getting an appointment. No applicant
will be informed of his standing on the reg-
ister of those eligible. Examinations will
commence at 9 o'clock a. m. and will not
continue later than 6 p. m.

TELEGRAPHIC BRIEVITIES.
The French minister of justice has re-
signed.
The New York street car strike is about
over. Nearly all the lines were running
regularly yesterday.

The subscriptions to the new issue of
Panama canal shares amount to nine thou-
sand shares.
The St. Louis Breweries Company, of
St. Louis, lost \$300,000 by a fire and ex-
plosion in their warehouse on Sunday.

Mrs. Matilda Griswold Frelinghuysen,
widow of the late Secretary of State
Frelinghuysen, died yesterday at Newark,
N. J.

Bill has been introduced in the German
reichstag providing for a loan of fifty mil-
lion marks on account of the army, navy
and state railways.

Advices from various points in New
England and Canada show the weather is
extremely cold, the thermometer ranging
from 20 to 40 degrees below zero.

Mary H. Fiske, the well-known dramat-
ist and theatrical writer, died yesterday of
consumption. She was 71 years of age. Her
husband, the dramatic editor of the Spirit of
the Times.

One Hundred and Eight.
BOZEMAN, Feb. 4.—(Special to the In-
dependent.)—Patrick Clark, a pauper, aged
18, died here to-day. He remembered dis-
tinctly the terrible events of the last cen-
tury recalled the leading incidents of the
twenty years' war. He saw the colony
leave Ireland for Van Diemen's land dur-
ing the great famine, served several
years in the English army and came to
America about 1840. His recollection of
the Adams, Jackson, Van Buren and Har-
rison campaigns were interesting. He has
been an inmate of the poor house for four
years.